

16 and 17, and the orthotic joint and optional support bars are described at page 19, second full paragraph. Preferred fabric arrangement, etc. is found at specification page 18. No new matter has been entered.

REMARKS

The present application is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/688,954. To the extent that the election in this parent case bears on this case it is revoked, and the subject matter of present Claims 22-51 is elected for examination. Attached hereto are the PTO-892's from the parent case for the Examiner's convenience.

Accordingly, in view of the above preliminary amendment and remarks Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits, and early notification to this effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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